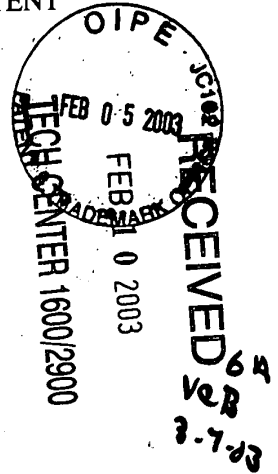




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AMENDMENT; AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Honorable Commissioner:

This is a Response to the Office Action having the mailing date of November 06, 2002. Reconsideration of the above-identified case is respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks.

AMENDMENTS

A. Claims

In the claims:

Please amend the claims to read as follows:

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4. The composition of claim 3, wherein the emulsifying agent is selected from the group comprising: polysorbitol, sorbitol, glycerine, and corn syrup.

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7. The composition of claim 6, wherein the at least one histidine is a histamine hydrochloride.